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-Media Event-

In service of new Andros Robot

To assist Bomb Squad

- When:** July 18, 2006
- Where:** Washington State Patrol - District Eight Headquarters, Bremerton
4811 Werner Road
Bremerton, WA 98312
- Time:** 11:00 a.m.
- Speakers:** Captain Steve Sutton, WSP Commander, Vessel and Terminal Security
Sergeant Neil Schuster, WSP Interagency Bomb Squad, Team Supervisor
Phyllis Mann, Director Kitsap County Emergency Management, Homeland Security
Region Two
- Why:** The Washington State Patrol Interagency Bomb Squad, Region One, wants to display the newly purchased 'Andros Robot', a versatile multi-mission mobile robot. The robot will assist members of the bomb squad, who are responsible for responding to calls for service in Clallam, Jefferson, Kitsap and Mason Counties. The Andros Robot will allow for quick and safe response to a variety of hazardous, allowing team member to remotely process the hazards from afar. The Andros Robot could have assisted the Bomb Squad in anyone of the 61 calls for service it responded to in 2005.
- In addition to its explosive ordinance capabilities, the Andros Robot can fulfill a verity of other law enforcement missions, such as HAZMAT and SWAT Team support.

Photo Opportunity:

Members of the WSP Interagency Bomb Squad will demonstrate the capabilities of the 'Andros Robot' which can be performed remotely, to include rendering safe improvised explosive devices (IED), surveillance and two way audio.

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